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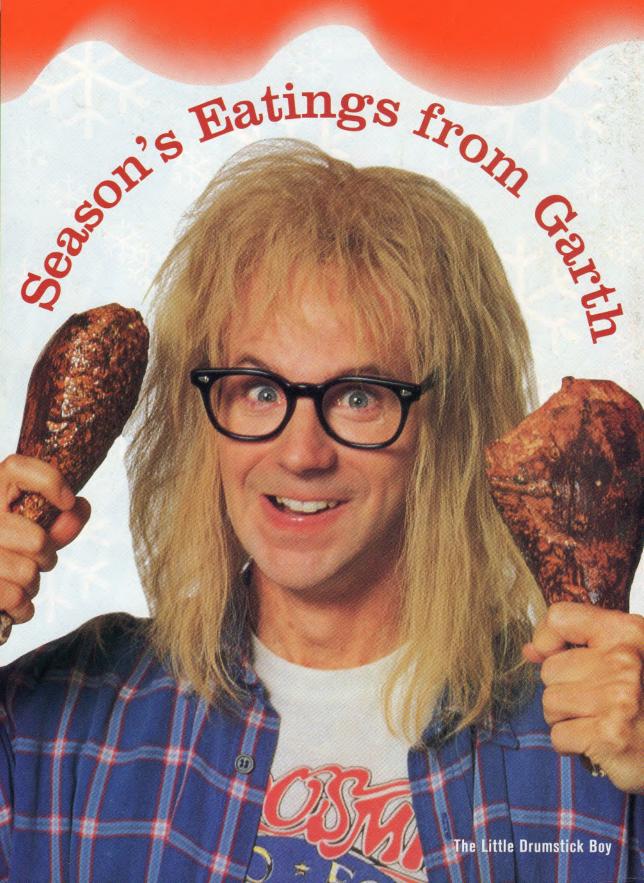
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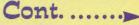
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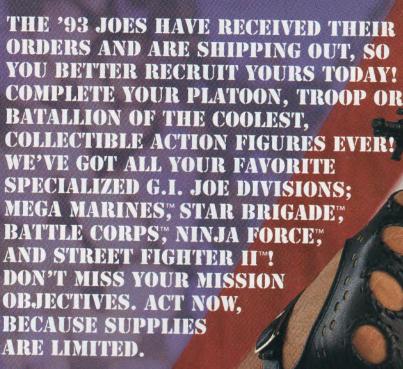
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EAM BEFORE THEY SHIP OUT!

ASK THE BOSS LADY

Where kids ask
the president
of Nickelodeon,
Geraldine B.
Laybourne,
anything
they want.



Looks like
everyone but me
cut out for the
holidays. They're
hiding throughout
the magazine.
Help me find
them. (Answers
on page 95.)

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Do you have a big family?

I have 26 cousins, 15 nephews and nieces, 2 kids and 1 very funny husband. In the early days of Nick when we didn't have our studios, we used to tape some of the shows at our house in New Jersey. My kids, Sam and Emmy, got to play many interesting parts. All my nieces and nephews watch Nickelodeon and give me ideas.

Why did you put Nickelodeon Studios in Orlando?

Untill 1988 we produced our shows in rented studios in Philadelphia and New York. We didn't feel close enough to kids. We asked ourselves: Where can we build our own studios so kids from all over the world can visit? Where do kids everywhere want to go the most? Orlando, Florida, was the answer. Then we found out that Universal Studios Florida was about to start building, and it needed more fun things for kids. We had a ball designing the studios there, especially when we made all the architects and engineers walk around on their knees to make sure kids could see everything.

Do you have any questions for the Boss Lady? Send them to Ask The Boss Lady, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE, 1515 Broadway, 50th floor, New York, NY 10036.

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HO-HO-HOLIDAY NAMES

These names put us in a festive state of mind:

Halle Berry, actress

Phoebe Snow, singer

Goose Gossage, baseball player

George Washington Carver, botanist and educator

Holly Hunter, actress

Klaus Kinski, actor

Rudolf Nureyev, dancer

Jack Nicklaus, golfer

David Frost, TV personality

Ice-T, rapper

Clara Bow, actress

Pippi Longstocking, fictional character

Billie Holiday, singer

Yul Brynner, actor

Tiny Tim, singer and oddity

Carol Channing, actress

Ringo Starr, ex-Beatle

THE BIG FREEZE

Thanks for everything you've sent in for the **NICKELODEON** REFRIGERATOR.

As soon as we find enough magnets, we'll show you what we've got.





DO TELL

Write and tell us what you think of our magazine. First read it cover to cover. Then turn to page 90 and fill out the questionnaire. Thanks.



PETE AND PETE, READY TO EAT Turn to page 9 for the special OVERSTUFFAGE section, and see these Nickelodeon siblings pig out.

Our Holiday Song

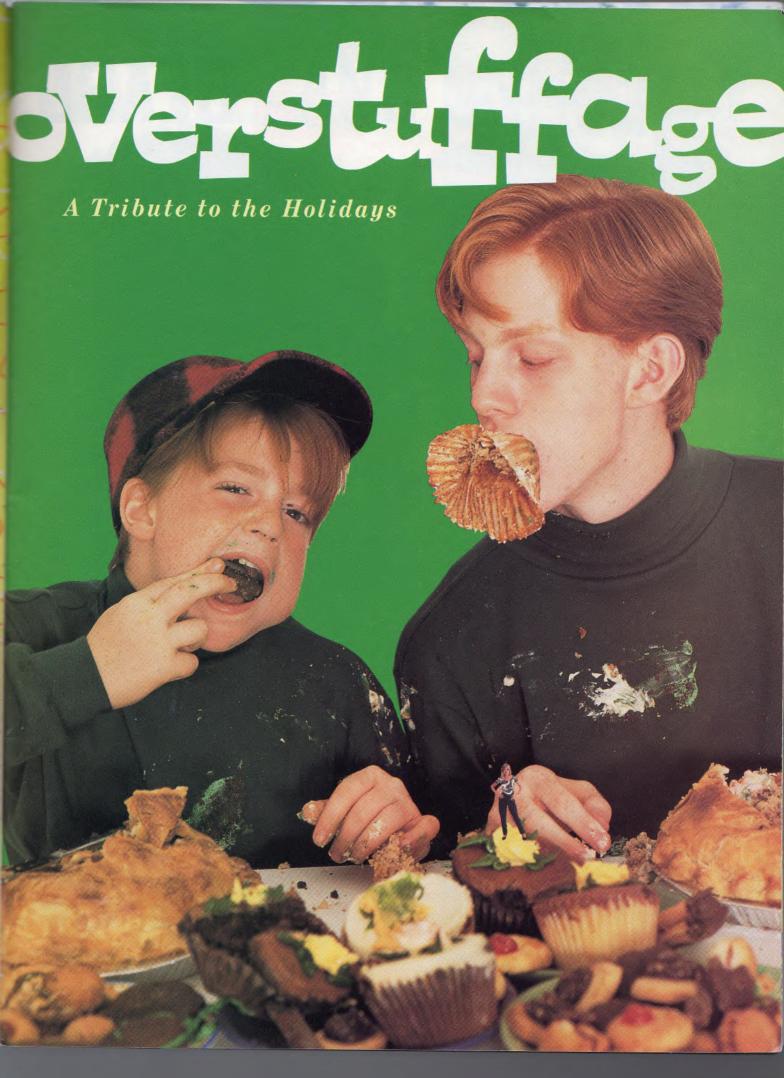
(sung to the ture of "Winter Wonderland")

Nick is here. Season's Greetings. Here's a peek At the readings In Nick Magazine Where we say what we mean And like to be with smart kids like yourself.

With your stuffing you can sculpt a pilgrim, Then pretend that he's on Plymouth Rock. You can lick the stickers till your spit-less, And read about how Zelda looks for Socks.

Still, there's more Like the Wrap-Off, Where a duck Gets to show off. There's Dana Carvey, A slime recipe, All between the covers of our 'zine.







WATTLE, AND SNOOD BY CATE PLYS

A FEAST OF TURKEY FACTS

The thing sticking up above a turkey's beak is a "snood." The snood is normally small, but can suddenly enlarge and droop down six to eight inches over one side. Turkey experts think male turkeys use it to attract females.

Male turkeys can change the whitish-blue skin of their bald heads to red or orange. They do it to show off.

That red thing hanging from a turkey's throat is called a "wattle." No one is sure what it does.

This tuft of feathers is known as the "beard," and it can grow up to a foot long on male wild turkeys. Females usually lack a beard. When they do have one, it's only about an inch long.

The biggest turkey ever raised weighed in at 86 pounds. His name was Tyson, and he grew up on a farm in Peterborough, England. In 1989, Tyson was auctioned for charity for a record \$7,480.

TURKEYS THROUGH TIME

Hasta la vista, Señor Turkey

During their exploration of America in the 1500s, the Spanish conquistadors enjoyed eating turkey so much they brought some back to Europe, where the birds proved to be equally popular. By 1530, people were gobbling down turkey from France to Italy to England. Apparently, the Europeans were so busy stuffing their faces that they didn't look too closely at the bird. Mistaking the American bird for a similar-looking one from Turkey, the British named it turkey. (In Portugal, they call the bird peru. Go figure!)

When the Pilgrims landed in America in 1620, they found wild turkeys in abundance. It was natural, then, for the Pilgrims to include turkeys on their first Thanksgiving table in 1621.

It's a grand old bird

From the time of the Pilgrims on, turkeys have been popular in America—sometimes too popular. During the 18th and 19th centuries, American settlers killed so many turkeys the birds almost became extinct. However, after years of conservation efforts, there are now more than a million wild turkeys in 42 states.

Except for the first few Pilgrim-led
Thanksgivings, the turkey-eating holiday
wasn't celebrated across America until 1863. That's
when President Lincoln proclaimed Thanksgiving a
national holiday.

Turkey in space?

A little more than a hundred years later, America's love affair with the turkey hit new heights. When the astronauts reached the moon in 1969, one of their meals was turkey with gravy.

More turkey talk on the next page

BEARD, WATTLE, AND SNOOD

B JUST DUMB CLUCK ARE TURKEYS REALLY STUPID?

People say turkeys are so dumb, they'll look up in a thunderstorm and drown in the rain. We asked turkey farmers around the country: Are turkeys really that stupid?

"They're not really that stupid. But they'll stick their heads in holes just to see what's in there, and they'll get their heads stuck."

-Bill Bates, Alabama

"That's not true! But they will pile up if it gets cold, and the ones underneath will get crushed and suffocate."

-Elsie Drury, Missouri

"We sometimes say they're not as dumb as the people who raise them—ha, ha, ha. They won't drown in the rain, but they don't understand fences very well. They seem to think if they can get their head through, they can get the rest of their body through too. And they try real hard."

-Robert Kauffman, Illinois

GOBBLE, GOBBLE... BLECCCH

WHY TV TURKEYS LOOK SO GOOD

Turkey looks great in the ads you see right before
Thanksgiving. But when it comes to those turkeys, the
phrase "beauty is only skin deep" truly applies. To make a turkey look good
on TV, a lot of tomfoolery goes on. For instance, the turkey you see TV families
about to carve into isn't even always fully cooked. "You just cook it to the point where the
skin starts shriveling," explains Craig Gibbs, photographic supervisor at Oscar Mayer
Foods Corporation. "Then you paint it whatever color brown you want."

Teresa Farney, vice president of consumer affairs at the National Turkey Federation, likes to slather the turkey with a thick layer of vegetable shortening and then roast it, so the bird turns a perfect brown. To get that nice, smooth, football shape that only TV turkeys seem to have, Farney stuffs the neckhole with instant mashed potatoes. "I smooth it down to give it a nice contour, so the skin doesn't just fall into the hole," she says.

She doesn't recommend trying this at home. And, on second thought, we think we'll stick with the scraggly, overcooked kind.

And, on second thought, I'll stick to dog food.



-e-placemats

Volunteer to set the holiday table with our NICKELODEON MAGAZINE placemats, pages ound on the next two pages. (Two more placemats are on

1. Carefully **tear** along the perforated edge

> 2. Place on the table.

Consult when you feel the need for dinner entertainment

Presidential Turkeys

A president has many obligations. One of the most important is being photographed with a turkey at Thanksgiving. Here are six past presidents and their feathered sidekicks. We've set up a few jokes for you. Fill in the blanks, and give our public servants and their poultry some punchlines.



I'd like you to become my ambassador to Turkey.

Do you think this wrinkle cream will work?



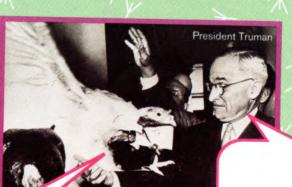
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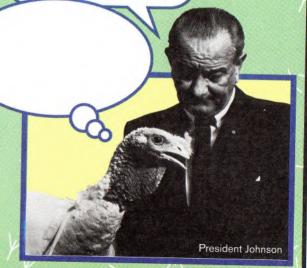
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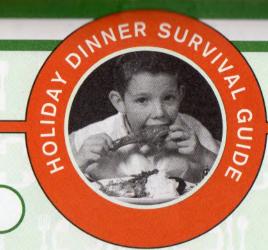
I may be birdbrained, but I'm

President



I simply adore this fabric!







HOW TO BE EXCUSED FROM THE TABLE

- 1. Keep asking for another glass of milk until there is no more milk left. Then offer to go to the store.
- 2. Explain that you just started a new program of oral hygiene that includes flossing between each bite.
- 3. Chew really, really loudly.
- 4. Claim that you are so overwhelmed with thankfulness that you must go lie down.
- 5. Smear cranberry sauce under your nose. Then ask to be excused so you can clean up your nosebleed.
- 6. Wet your finger and rub it around the rim of your crystal water glass until people beg you to leave.
- 7. Volunteer to clear the table . . . and start with yourself.

 -Patty Marx

PREDICTABLE CONVERSATION CHECKLIST

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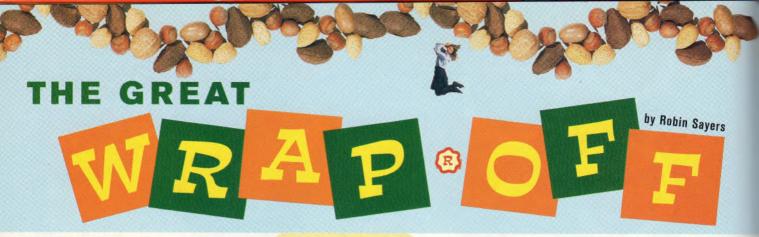
Give yourself one point for each line	
you hear at the table:	
So what grade are you in?	
My diet starts tomorrow.	
Why don't you give me a great big k	riss?
One more bite and I'm going to expl	ode.
Have I told this story before?	
What time does the game start?	
Who made the?	
Uh-oh. First spill of the night!	

GAMES TO PLAY WHEN YOU'RE BORED AT THE TABLE

- 1. Fold your napkin into an origami replica of your uncle.
- 2. Try to move the salt shaker by staring at it.
- 3. Shred your napkin into confetti.
- 4. Attempt to put your napkin back together.
- 5. Make a map of the United States out of turkey slices.

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Some folks get their kicks scaling mountains, swimming the English Channel, or wrestling live alligators. Others dare to tackle paper and tape. They are the gift wrappers of the world, those wranglers of ribbon who can take an object—no matter how big, how small, how unwieldy—and transform it into a neatly packaged bundle of joy.

To explore the wonders of gift wrapping, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE presents The Great Wrap-Off. Meet the wily wrappers:

SHIGERU YAMAGUCHI

Shigeru grew up in Japan, where his family trained him in the art of paper crafts. Before coming to the U.S., Shigeru wrapped gifts at Seibu department store in the city of Shizuika.



MARETZA EL-AWANI

Maretza is a professional gift wrapper for New York City's Saks Fifth Avenue department store. Originally from the Dominican Republic, she has wrapped gifts as a hobby for more than 30 years and professionally for 10. She can make 20 different bows and can create a rose bow from ribbon in 59 seconds.



DOCTOR DRE

A different kind of rapper, Dre shares hosting duties with Ed Lover on *Yo! MTV Raps.* He has recorded an album and co-starred in a movie. He comes to the competition with little gift-wrapping experience. However, when he was in college, he worked as a tablecloth-and-napkin delivery man and learned to wrap up dirty linens.

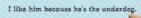


THE JUDGE: AMANDA GRONICH

For eight years, Amanda has worked at FAO Schwarz, a toy store in New York City; she is the assistant to the general manager. She wrote, directed, produced, and starred in a gift-wrapping training video.

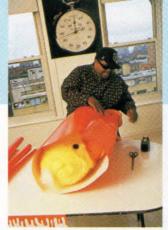
After watching it, we asked her to be our judge.

TEAM #1: Dre Gets Quacking











Clueless, Dre jumps in, wrestles the duck to the table, and papers it in less than three minutes. He leaves the duck's feet loose, "so that the duck can stand on his own and feel independent."









Yards of green satin ribbon give him grief. After six minutes of fumbling, he turns the confused mess of ribbon into a leash and bow. The leash is necessary, says Dre, because the poor duck's eyes are covered.









Finishing in a respectable nine minutes, 27 seconds, Dre celebrates. When asked who inspired his unusual approach to wrapping, he answers simply, "Picasso."

TEAM #2: Waltzing Maretza





Although she once successfully gift-wrapped a human being for another contest, Maretza is nervous about wrapping the duck.





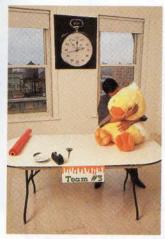
Gently twisting the duck's feet and tucking them underneath, she quickly and neatly packages it, leaving the head exposed. The crafty veteran then adorns the duck with multiple bows. Maretza remains unbowed in the face of competition, finishing in the shortest amount of time: four minutes and 42 seconds. What a pro.







TEAM #3: Can-Do Shigeru







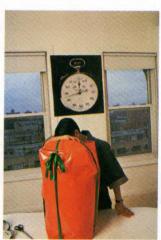


Shigeru takes the duck-and-cover approach. Within minutes, our webbed friend is entirely covered in paper. A simple, classic bow is what the well-dressed duck is wearing this season, according to Shigeru. After five minutes and 12 seconds, Shigeru is free to go celebrate his birthday (which it happens to be), and unwrap some presents of his own.









JUDGING







It's a difficult decision for Judge Amanda. Shigeru's duck is the best, according to official criteria of gift wrapping. Yet Maretza has "inventive" stylings. Dre is commended for his unique leash. "It's a hard choice," says Amanda. Turn the page to see which wrapper she chose.



WRAP-OFF

Our winner, Maretza, feels just ducky as she holds her trophy high.

BECAUSE HE'S A GOOD SPORT, DOCTOR DRE WROTE THIS WRAPPING RAP:

Wrapping gifts is cool When it's cold

Wrapping gifts is cool For the young and old

Wrapping gifts is cool For that one

Especially when it's you

That'll be getting some





Everyone knows Tori Spelling, who plays Donna on Beverly Hills 90210. But did you know that her mother, Candy, loves gift wrapping so much that she has an entire room in the family's mansion devoted to it? We asked Candy about her passion for packaging. Here's what she told us.

When did you first become a serious wrapper?

Candy: When I was about 10 years old. I just loved making packages look better than they looked in the store.

How many gifts do you think you have wrapped?

Candy: At least 1,000.

What is the longest amount of time you've ever spent in the wrapping room in one stretch?

Candy: I've spent all night, around Christmas. I start around 9 at night and find myself still there at 5 AM.

If you could tell kids only one thing about wrapping, what would it be?

Candy: Make the package as pretty as you can because giving somebody something you've made, like the wrapping job, is more important than what's inside.

What's your real name?

Candy: Carole. When I was a week old, my mother's best friend kept saying, "She's as sweet as candy." It just stuck.

Do you like candy?

Candy: Oh, yes!

Do you know how to wrap fish?

Candy: I try not to wrap fish.

Have you ever wrapped gifts for Luke and Jason?

Candy: Yes. I use my more masculine papers for them.

What is the most beautifully wrapped gift

you've ever received?

Candy: Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, so gifts from my children are always the most beautiful. Of course, they usually use a stick-on bow, but that's okay.

How would you wrap your house?

Candy: I would definitely use silly string, that stuff you spray out of a can. I would cover the whole house that way.

Is there anything you can't wrap?

Candy: If something is too difficult, I just put a bow on it. -Robin Sayers



Guess who is starring in their own Sega Genesis game?

(connect fleas for answer.)

Hint:

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As you can tell from this issue, we're stuck on the holidays. We hope you are too. Here are some STAMPS to keep you from becoming unglued during the season.

Fold stamps carefully, then tear gently along perforations.





















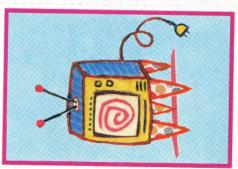












We're stuck on stamps!





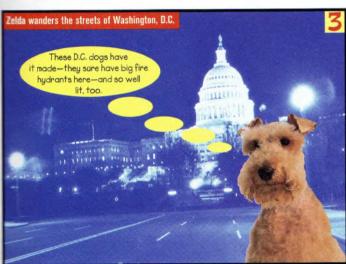
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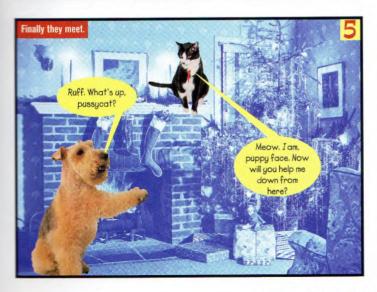


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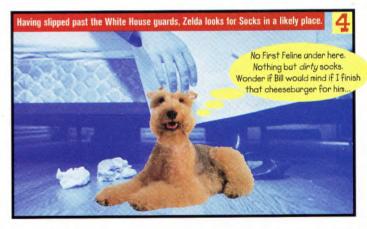
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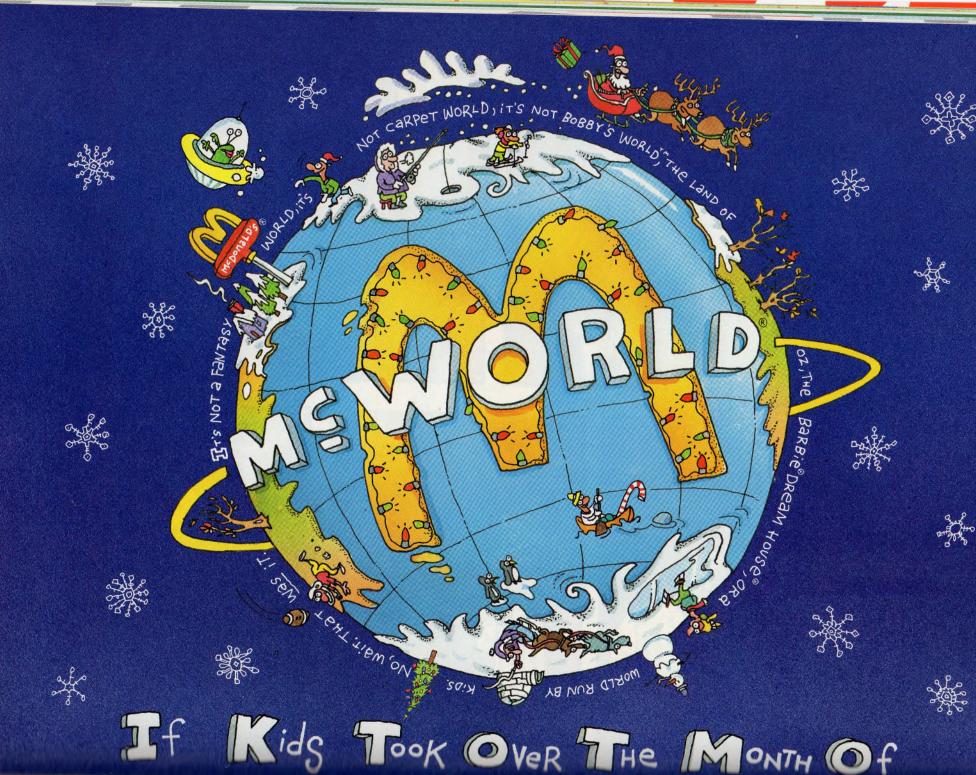














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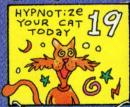


















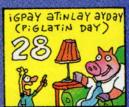


















Our Holiday Newsletter

Dear Friends and Family:

Love,

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Happy holidays! And what a year it's been!
Aunt won \$in the lottery but then
spent every penny on used Her sons, Drew, Stu, and
Lou, formed a band called ing, but
their first CD sold $\frac{1}{1000 \text{ number}}$ copies. When they perform, it sounds like a
wild animal and singer singing war chants to each other.
Great-aunttook her pet, Spot, to a show are
won first prize. Oddly enough, won the prize, and Spot came
in fourth.
And it's been some kind of year for the little ones, too! Our oldest,
female name, married but it didn't work out well. On
their honeymoon, he went to Niagara Falls, and she mistakenly went to foreign city got kicked out of the Boy Scouts when he wa
caught charging little old \$ for helping them cross
the street made the cheerleading squad, but during
nalftime she threw her baton up, and when it came down it somehow had
turned into a
got admitted to Repair Training School
while our youngest,, got into the school of her choice,
Junior High. On her interview, she sneezed and a
type of vegetable popped out of her ear, but they still let her in.
We're all looking forward to a happy and healthy 1994!





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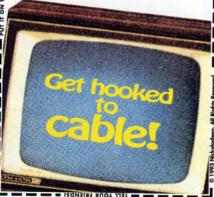


doesn't have cable tv.



has no idea what cable tv is.









GIFTIES

The holidays are here, and you've probably been too busy, too lazy, or too cheap to buy presents.

But just look around your room. It holds the answers to all your gift-giving needs.

Gather up the useless junk, add imagination, and presto—you've got gifts for friends and family. We've made our suggestions below. Match the household items on the left with the instant gifts on the right.

- 1. batteries and string
- 2. empty can and pennies
- 3. old newspapers and dead batteries
- 4. wire hangers and shoelaces
- 5. shoe hox
- 6. pencil and rock
- 7. old shoe, mushroom, and plastic wrap
- 8. paper clip, gum, and string
- 9. two pencils
- 10. chewed bubble gum

- A. recycling starter kit
- B. wind chimes
- C. doll scuba gear
- D. diorama of air
- E. bicycle-tire repair kit
- F. pay-phone coin extractor
- G. emergency chopsticks
- H. rhythm instrument
- I . terrarium
- J. desk set

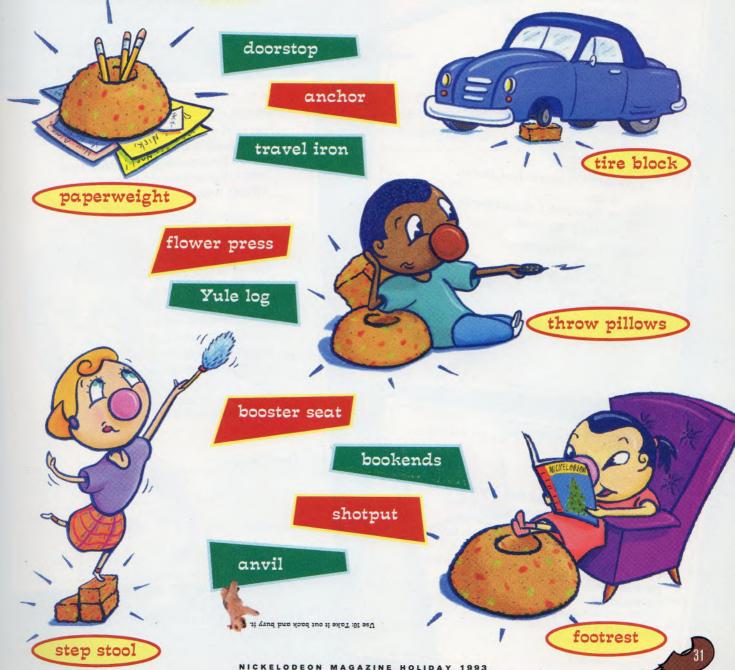


ANSWERS ON PAGE 95.



It is a known fact that no one has ever successfully eaten a fruitcake. Unfortunately, too many well-meaning people give them as gifts this time of year. Instead of letting the cakes rot in the bread box until Valentine's Day, try some of these alternate uses.





ank-You Notes

Cut these out, check off the appropriate boxes, drop them in the mail, and your holiday thank-you notes are done!

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Your darling, (relative)



Dear Sir/Madam:

It has come to my attention that you may have overlooked your annual contribution to me. If your gift is already in the mail, please accept my apologies and disregard this notice.

I look forward to writing you a thank-you note in the future.

Sincerely Yours,

(your name)



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Your favorite	
	(relative)
	(your name)

New Year's Contest

People are always making resolutions for the New Year. They promise to lose weight, stop sucking their thumbs, quit smoking, read more, or run a thousand miles a week. Sometimes these promises stick. Most of the time, they last only until January 2nd.

Can you help a famous person come up with some New Year's resolutions? It can be anyone well-known, like a movie star, a musician, or someone from history. Maybe your ideas could even help these people (because we all need improvement). Then again, maybe you'll just win the contest.



Here's what to do: Choose a famous person. Write down three to five resolutions for him or her. Then mail the resolutions to

New Year's Contest NICKELODEON MAGAZINE 1515 Broadway, 50th floor New York, NY 10036

Here are some examples of resolutions:



Cleopatra

- 1. I will grow out my bangs.
- 2. I will wear less eyeliner.
- I will start seeing a Cairo-practor.
- 4. I will learn five new hieroglyphics a day.
- I will admit I live in a state of da Nile.



Hillary Rodham Clinton

- 1. I will have Socks' face put on Mt. Rushmore.
- 2. I will let Bill win at Scrabble.
- I will return Tipper's phone calls.
- 4. I will finally decide on a hairdo.



Abraham Lincoln

- 1. I will grow a mustache so my beard isn't so lonely.
- 2. I will stop sitting on my hat.
- 3. I will find out how many years "four score" is.
- 4. I will remember to copyright the name Lincoln Logs.
- 5. I will insist people use my nickname, "Abe the Babe."



Please include your name, age, address, and phone number with your entry. (Remember, we cannot return your submission.)

We'll print some of the best resolutions in a future issue. The winners will each get three new **Nickelodeon Home Videos:** *Ren and Stimpy*, *Rugrats*, and SNICK. So send in those entries!

the end

until next year



















"No Ooze is Bad Ooze"

news

HOLIDAY 1993

All about Nickelodeon

Meet the Petes

The Adventures of Pete and Pete, the strange suburban tales of two brothers both named Pete, is getting not only weirder, but longer. On November 27, the first in a series of new 30-minute episodes airs. We wanted to know if the two Petes—Danny Tamborelli, who plays Little Pete, and Michael Maronna, who plays Big Pete—were as odd as their characters.

Well, they seemed pretty normal to us. But how normal can you be if you hardly ever go to school, and you get paid to do things like lick desks, as Danny does? Licking desks isn't even the oddest thing Danny has had to do for the show. There was the day he spent burping in a designated "burping room." And then there was the time he had his cheek sucked on by a vacuum cleaner.

Although Michael's character, Big Pete, is the less weird one who narrates the stories, he's not exactly on the sidelines when it comes to having strange experiences. Once he spent part of the day having the makeup person write the word "mucus" on his forehead with a marker—and then scrub it off with a plastic sponge—over and over again.

Some personal info: Danny is 11 years old and Michael is 16. Michael likes to ride his bike in New York City, and Danny's favorite game is 5-on-5 Manhunt. Although different in many ways, they both agree that "liverwurst is a great food."

They also both love being in the movies. Danny was in *The Mighty Ducks*, and Michael played one of Macaulay Culkin's brothers in both *Home Alone* movies. How can you tell these guys apart from fellow actor Macaulay Culkin? "He makes more money," says Michael.

-CHRIS MARCIL AND SAM JOHNSON



Liverwurst lovers Danny Tamborelli (left) and Michael Maronna (right).

The People Behind the Petes

We wanted to find out what kind of minds could make a show like The Adventures of Pete

and Pete and why they would do it. So we asked the show's creators, WIII McRobb

and Chris Viscardi, to answer a few questions for us.

Why are they both named Pete?

There are rumors and legends, but no one knows for sure. Some people think Mom named them both Pete because she always wanted to have children with names that rhymed.

Where did Little Pete's tattoo come from?

It's a mystery. One day he came home after dark and asked his mom if she'd like to meet his new friend Petunia. Mom said "yes", and Little Pete unveiled his famous forearm tattoo. Mom fainted, but over the years she's come to consider Petunia part of the family.

What about that plate in Mom's head?

When she was a kid, her parents made her go to ski jump camp. On the first day, she wiped out on the 220-meter ramp and hurt her head landing on a gift shop. To strengthen her skull, the doctors replaced part of the bone with a four-inch steel-alloy plate. The only side effect is that she always sets off metal detectors at the airport and she can't go too close to any big magnets, like the kind that lift cars at the wrecking yard.

Do Pete and Pete get into fights?

Even though our show is about two brothers who are best friends, Pete and Pete do fight. After all, they are brothers. However, they fight the Pete and Pete way. Once Big Pete was so angry at his brother he poured an entire bottle of their dad's Old Spice after-

shave on Petunia. Such a manly smell on his beloved 'senorita' really ticked off Little Pete. In retaliation, Little Pete 'borrowed' Pete's trombone and used it as a toilet snake. They both agreed that things were even after that.

Where is Pete and Pete taped?

In various locations in northern New Jersey. The Pete and Pete house is in the town of South Orange, New Jersey. You can visit it if you want, but the real people who live there will yell at you to keep off the grass.

Are any of the episodes based on things that happened to you as a kid?

When I [Will] was 11, my father got so fed up with my incessant passing of gas at the dinner table that he threatened to build a soundproof, smell-proof room in the basement where I would have to live until I learned to control myself. He

designed the room on a napkin, figured out

how much electricity he'd need to power a giant ventilation fan, and asked me what kind of rug I'd like. "It'll have to be a fireproof rug, so that may limit your color choice," he said to me. He never did build the room, but I changed some of the details and turned it into a story we did about Dad building Little Pete a burping room in the basement.

How do you pick your guest stars? What guest star would you like to see on a future *Pete and Pete*?

There are a lot of people we'd love to have as guest stars on Pete and Pete. They range from Winona Ryder and Matt Dillon to Bill Murray and Henry Kissinger. If anyone out there knows Harrison Ford, let us know. We'd love him to play a telephone repairman.



Will McRobb (left) and Chris Viscardi (right) proudly show their faces on the set of *The Adventures of Pete and Pete*.



John Crane Interviews John Crane

Roundhouse Roundhouse Interview Interview

Being incredibly bored one day, John Crane decided to interview himself for this magazine. John is most familiar to viewers as "Dad" on Roundhouse, zipping around the set on his motorized lounge chair. The following interview took place on the Roundhouse set.

John: Before we get started, let me just say that I really

like your shirt. It's very cool.

John: Oh, thank you. Yours is cool too.

John: So John, tell us a little about yourself.

John: I always wanted to be an actor. I auditioned for all the school plays and talent shows, then went to college and earned my degree in drama. I always had a thing for comedy so after college I performed stand-up for a while before moving out to L.A. to pursue a career in entertainment...Hello?

John: Zzzzzz. Hmm?

John: I'm finished answering your question.

John: Oh, sorry. I must have dozed off. Uh, let's see, what would you say is the strangest job you've ever had?

John: Other than interviewing myself? I did an anti-litter TV commercial where I played a half-eaten baloney

sandwich. I was squished between two slices of bread.

John: What's the strangest thing you've had to do on Roundhouse?

John: "Pass gas" in a bathtub.

John: Sounds fun.

John: I didn't go to college for nothin', pal. How 'bout if / ask the questions now?

John: Shoot.

John: What's it like when fans recognize you in the mall? John: It's great. We really like it when kids come up and say they watch the show.

John: Is it true that you also write for the show?

John: That's right.

John: What things, specifically, have you written for the show?

John: Good question.

John: You asked it.

John: The writing is an ensemble effort-everyone works together. Some of my favorite sketches are "Where's Walnut," a spoof on the Where's Waldo? books, and "Scrape Fear," a sketch about the fear of fingernails scraping on a chalkboard. I've also written songs, and I've collaborated with James Raymond, who plays keyboards for the Roundhouse band. Together we wrote

"Substitution" and "If I Give You My Heart." I also invented the cellular phone and the fax machine.

John: What?

John: Just wanted to see if you were listening.

John: What's it like backstage at the Roundhouse?

John: It's nuts. Everyone is in joke mode all the time.

Pranks range from dipping a bun in pickle juice and then watching David Sidoni eat it, while we're taping in front of an audience, to Alfred sneaking up behind you and placing a "Kick Me Hard" sign on your back.

John: Classic.

John: Speaking of classic, I think it's time we talk about something meaningful, important, and socially relevant. I think its time we talk about "The Chair." Is it fun to drive?

John: If I were you, and I am, I would say that it's one of the dopest, freshest sets of wheels ever to burn carpet.

John: Well, I guess that wraps up the interview. You have been a fascinating person to interview.

John: And you, my friend, are the most insightful, masterful interviewer I have ever met. You really know your stuff.

John: Likewise. John: Ditto.

GET WEINERIZED!



How much do you know about Weinerville, the show that turns humans into puppets? Test your knowledge with this puzzle. First answer each question with the word or words that fit on the blanks provided. Then find the correct answer in the word search. (Hint: Answers read up, down, diagonally and backwards.)

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- 6. Who is the crabbiest dinosaur in Weinerville? ___ __ __ ____

- 7. Who is the mayor of Weinerville?
- 8. What is the name of Dottie's hardworking but clumsy assistant? ___ __

Answers on page 95.

Weinerville airs on Sundays from 2-4 PM.

Watch This!



THE REN AND STIMPY SHOW: Believe it or not, it's true. Yes, unbelievable but true—14 new episodes begin on November 20. All new. You've never seen them before. Honest. Watch as the unbeatable duo fish for the legendary Foul Mouth Bass, tour with a group of circus midgets, and visit the remains of the mammoth Stimpysaurus.

NICK'S THANKSGIVING FEST: What would Thanksgiving be without these animated tales? This festival of specials is a Nickelodeon tradition. You can watch it Thanksgiving Day at either 12:30 Pm or 7:30 Pm, If you're too busy stuffing your face on Thanksgiving, watch it November 26 at 9:30 Pm.

DAY OF GAMES: Starting at noon on Friday, November 26, and continuing until 8 PM, Nickelodeon will have a game show marathon. Favorite episodes from shows like Super Sloppy Double Dare, Nickelodeon Arcade and Nickelodeon Guts will air, along with old favorites like Finders Keepers and Think Fast. And don't miss a special episode of Get the Picture from Britain.

THE MUPPETS: Kermit, Miss Piggy, and the rest of the crew will have specials on Nickelodeon throughout the months of November and December on Friday nights from 8 pm till 9 pm.

November 5: The Frog Prince

November 12: The Munnets Go to the Movies

November 19: The Muppet Musicians of Bremen

November 26: The Secrets of the Muppets

December 3: The Christmas Toy

December 10: A Muppet Family Christmas

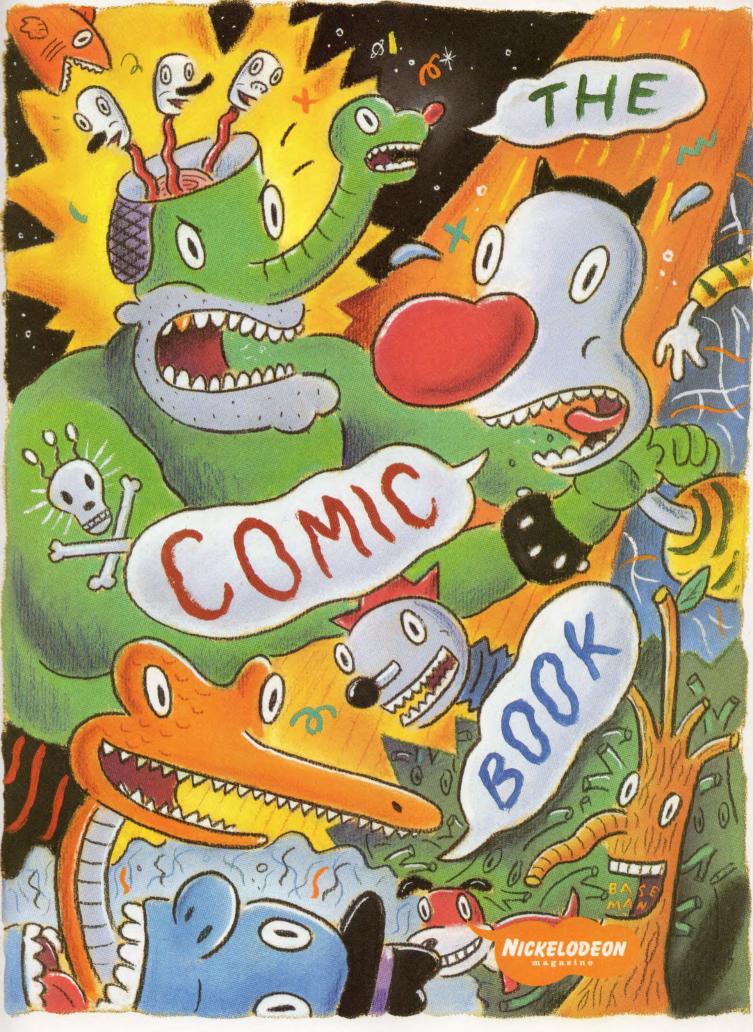
December 17: Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas

Note: All times are for Eastern and Pacific time zones. Shows air one hour earlier in the Central time zone.

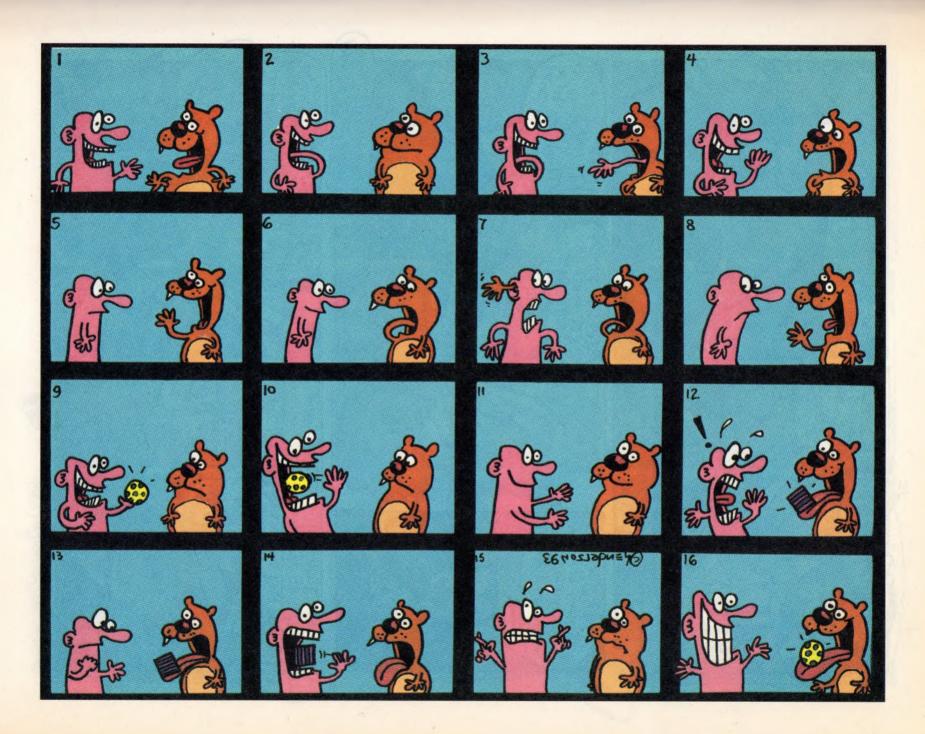
DOUG'S CHRISTMAS STORY and RUGRATS: THE SANTA EXPERIENCE will air on December 12 at 8 and 8:30 PM, respectively. Or watch them at their regular time slots on December 18 and 19 and again on Christmas night.

Little Cookies You Can't Resist!













AAAAAAAAAAAARGH!!!



SOMETHING IN THE RAIN





SOME PEOPLE BLAME THESE











SOME REPORTS MAY BE DUE TO THINGS FALLING OUT OF AIRPLANES -BUT STRANGE OBJECTS RAINED FROM THE SKY LONG BEFORE PLANES.



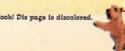


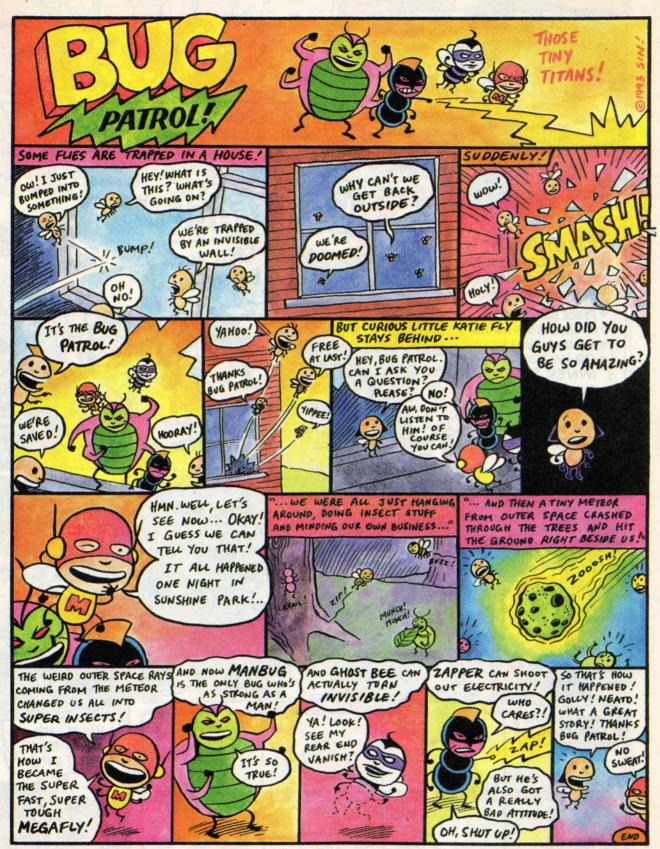
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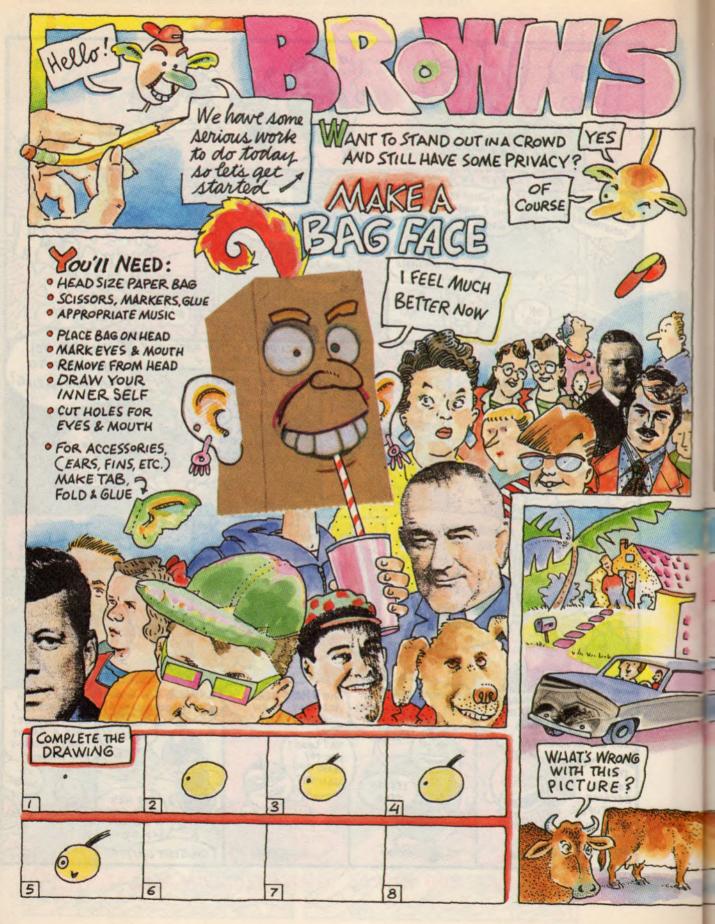
This cartoon first appeared in August 1947 in a comic called Rusty #14. It was drawn by Harvey Kurtzman, who later became the creator and first editor of MAD.





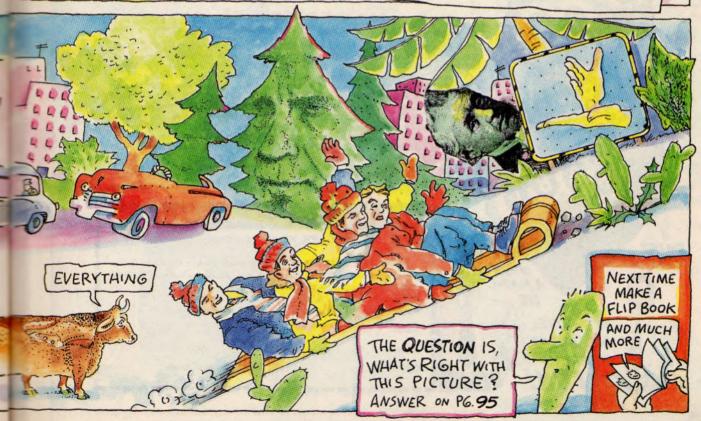


LOOK FOR MORE BUG PATROL IN NICKELODEON MAGAZINE !!!









We found this ad in the June 1946 issue of *Jingle Jangle* comics. Can you believe some nudnicks actually thought a tie like this could help them get a date?



(Warning- do not send in the coupon! The company that made this magnificent neckwear is long gone.)

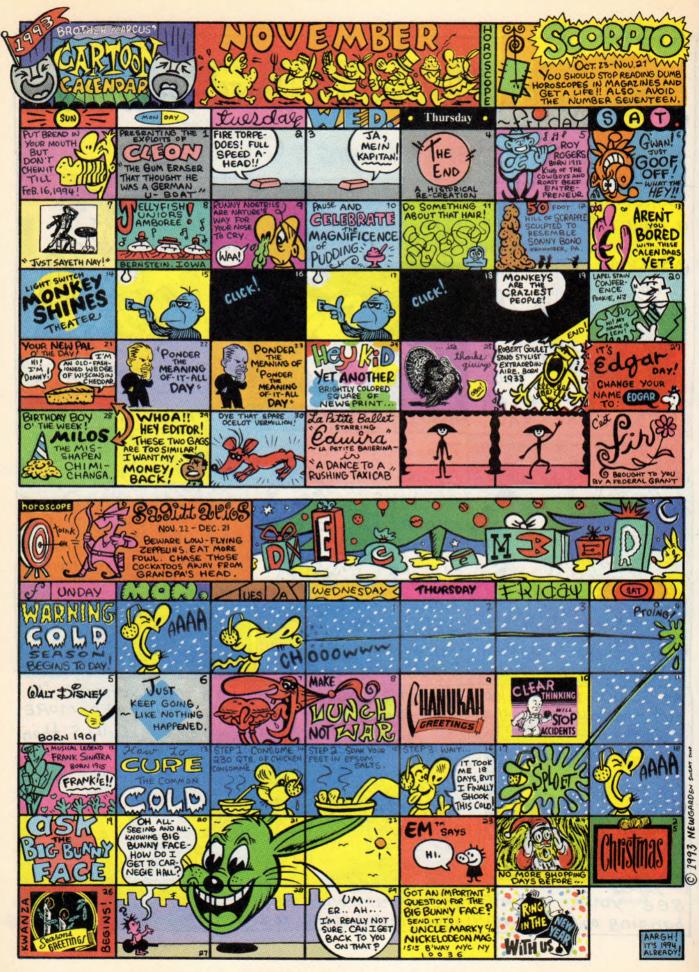
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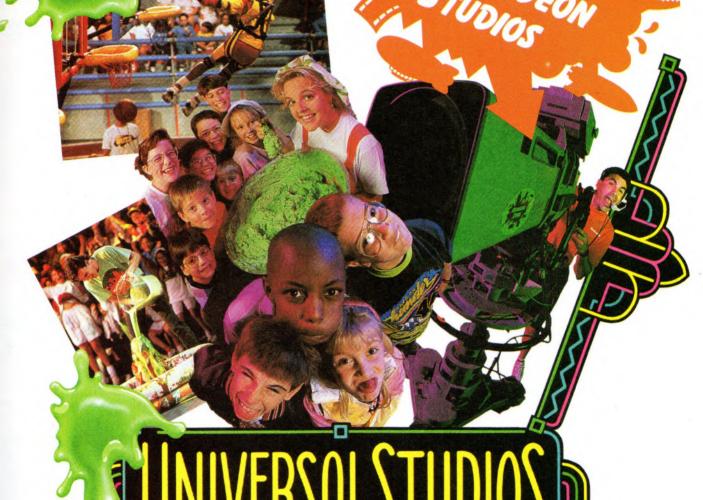
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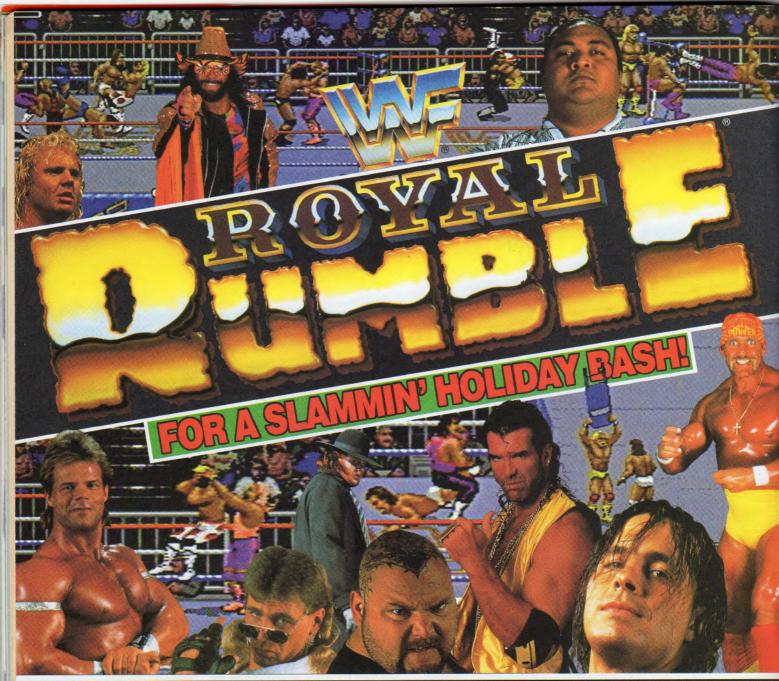


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CURIOUS COLLECTIONS

Leaping Blizzards!

Collecting snowdomes may sound like a flaky hobby, but

Nancy McMichael doesn't think it is.

She has 4,700 of them and heads a club for collectors, called Snow Biz.

We spoke to this mover and shaker in the world of snowdomes, and now we think we get her drift.

Nick Mag: What is the most often snowed-upon thing?

Nancy: Santa Claus, then winter animals and winter scenes. Niagara
Falls and the Eiffel Tower also get snowed on a lot.

NM: Do other things besides snow fall out of the snowdome sky?

Nancy: There are bats and bones for Halloween, hearts for Valentine's
Day, and shamrocks for St. Patrick's Day.

NM: Who invented snowdomes?

Nancy: The French, in the 1860s. They were originally made of fine glass and sold to rich tourists as souvenirs.

NM: What's inside a snowdome?

Nancy: Water and plastic flakes.

NM: How many flakes?

Nancy: The average is about 200.

NM: How many members does your club have? Nancy: 1,580.

NM: Do all of you ever get together?

Nancy: Yes, oh my goodness. There's an annual meeting in Washington, D.C. People can bring domes to trade and sell.

NM: They say you never forget your first snowdome. Do you remember yours?

Nancy: Yes. It had a skyline of New York City. It was to die for.

NM: Sometimes domes have a plastic cork to let out the water.

How often should the water be changed?

Nancy: Whenever it gets dirty. Refill it with tap water.

NM: Are there flake refills?
Nancy: Yes. Of course.

NM: Is there a dome of a big head with dandruff falling off?

Nancy: No, but that's a good idea. There's one with a bald guy, and his hair is floating around. But none with dandruff.

NM: In order to make the snow fall, you have to shake up the thing. Has anyone ever measured what that would be on the Richter scale?

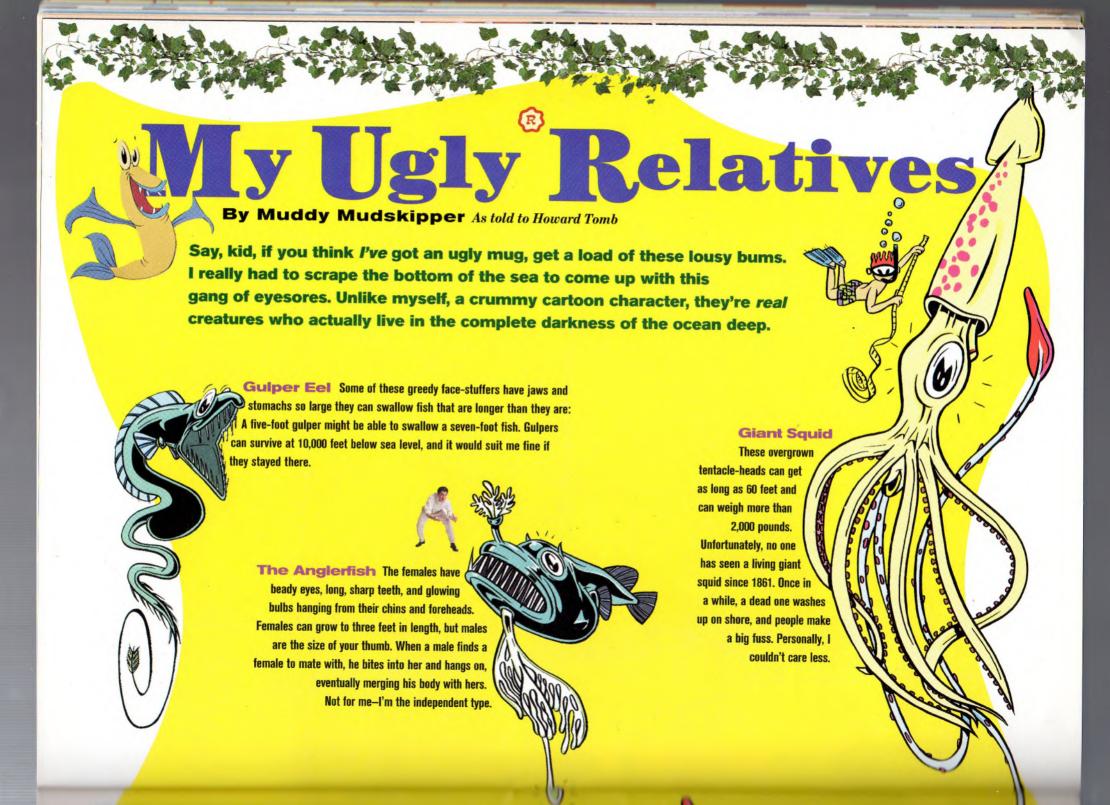
Nancy: I think it would be a 10!

-Robin Sayers

Is she trying to put King Kong out of a job?

If you have a curious collection, write and tell us about it. You could appear in a future issue.

Curious Collections
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REVOLTING FACTS

The SKUA BIRD OF THE ANTARCTIC ATTACKS OTHER BIRDS MIDAIR, MAKES THEM VOMIT UP THEIR DINNER, AND THEN STEALS THE



The Animal with the DIET CLOSEST TO A HUMAN DIET IS THE PIGS, EXCEPT THAT PIGS DON'T OVEREAT.



GIANT SQUID
HAVE TWO
EYES THE SIZE OF BASKETBALLS.

She Blue-EYED scallop can have as many as 100 EYES, but it has NO EYELIDS.



BLOOD OUT OF ITS
EYE WHEN CAPTURED.

EVERY YEAR, DOGS LEAVE MORE THAN ??

27 MILLION POUNDS OF DROPPINGS
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Konami just took your

It's time for a change of screenery as Konami takes the TV style adventures of The Turtles, the Tiny Toon Adventures characters and *Batman: The Animated Series* to Game Boy. With no commercials!

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles III — Radical

Rescue pits the sewer crew against Cyber Shredder, a heinous, hulking cyborg. But first Mike must use a Fortress Map of Shredder's hideout to find the rest of the captured fab four. Luckily, each Turtle has a new special skill for surviving the action. Locate ID cards, keys and power ups in 5 rescue adventures crammed with creeps like Dirtbag, Scratch and Scale Tail.

Batman — The Animated Series is 5 original game episodes of sizzling crime fighting action, each capturing the gritty, urban heroics of the hit TV series. Strategically use Batman's grappling hook and Robin's ceiling grip to survive the onslaught and escape certain doom. In episodes like "The Green Menace" and "The Chill of a Lifetime" you'll suffer the sting of Catwoman's claw, the icy burn of Mr. Freeze's frost gun, and The Joker's sick sense of humor. Sinister fiends like The Penguin, The Riddler and other Gotham City goons are also out to make this the Dark Knight's darkest day.

Tiny Toon Adventures 2 — Montana's Movie Madness premieres 4 freaky films directed by that Bad Boy of the Box Office, Montana Max. And he's cast Buster Bunny as the villain! Buster must use new attack moves like the Fast Dash and Freeze Kick to defend his character. Buster's screen test includes action packed scenes in a classic western, a samurai saga, a sci-fi thriller, a creature feature and cool subgames. Ultimately, Buster takes on Max himself and tries to drop the curtain on his movie career.





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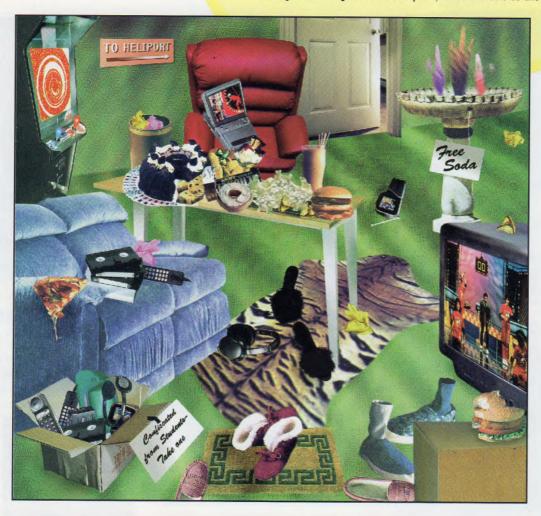
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Lounge Fact

The Teachers' Lounge is the grown-ups' version of a tree house or a clubhouse. You may not need a password to enter, but you can be sure they'll do their best to keep you out. Considering its top-secret reputation, it's easy to imagine the lounge is a fantastic place, as unbelievable as this picture.

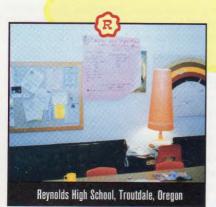
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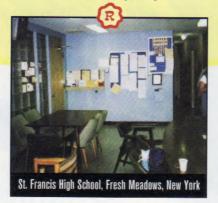


Here's the truth: Teachers' lounges are dumps.

An exclusive NICKELODEON MAGAZINE photo investigation proves that teachers' lounges are boring and ugly.











Deskopolis

Webster "Funky" Wagnall's House of Random Words



Nothing ruins your day quite like a vocabulary quiz. Why not spread the misery and ruin your teacher's day by giving him or her this little quiz?

WORD: Rantipole (RANT-tee-pole)

Which of the following definitions is the right one?

- **a.** a wild and quarrelsome person Example: I'm afraid my mother is turning into a *rantipole*.
- **b.** the pole in a firehouse Example: Officer Jimenez suffered friction burns sliding down the ungreased *rantipole*.
- **c.** a type of insanity common among arctic explorers
 Example: After claiming he was being pursued by 100 pink
 penguins, Admiral Byrd was diagnosed with *rantipole*.

Answers on page 95.

Useful Russian Phrases

Извините, пожалуйста. Эта дорога ведет в Сибирь?*

Impress your language teacher with your fine grasp of Russian.

No, you tell the bear to get out of the house.

Нет, это *ты* скажи медведю, чтобы он убирался из дома.

Net, E-to tee ska-ZHEE med-VE-dyu, CHTO-bee on ubee-RAL-sya iz DO-ma.

* Excuse me, is this the road to Siberia?

Извините, пожалуйста. Эта дорога ведет в Сибирь?

Iz-vee-NEE-te, po-ZHA-luy-sta. E-ta do-RO-ga ve-DYOT v See-BEER?

Who ate all the marshmallows?

Кто съел весь зефир?

Kto suel ves ze-FIR?

Don't look at me—I didn't touch those marshmallows.



High Notes



OW Notes

and teamwork weren't

enough, you also have

music lessons. But before

you might want to look at

each instrument's pros

you start practicing scales,

As if class work, homework,

by David Lewman

Guitar

High Notes

Can accompany self in song

Rock star potential

Can store snacks inside

Solos!

Low Notes

Doomed to accompany bad singers

Easily smashed

Always asked to play

"Stairway to Heaven"

Calluses on fingers

and cons.

Flute

High Notes

Lightweight

Doubles as baton

Good training for soda-bottle playing

The sound makes dogs tilt their heads Low Notes

Too many buttons

Not enough volume

At first, sounds like blowing on hot soup

End up smiling like a dolphin while playing



Loud

Only three buttons to worry about

Get to empty spit valves and gross out flutists

Can see weird reflections of your face in the bell

Low Notes

Chipmunk cheeks

Always pestered to play "Taps," "Reveille," or "Charge!"

Continually mistaken for a bugle

Rubber band-shooting oboists use bell for target practice







High Notes

Straightforward: right is high, left is low

Thanks to synthesizer, you are Master of All Instruments

Easy on the lungs

Pedals let you pretend you're driving a car

Low Notes

Difficult to carry to parties

Lid can slam on fingers

Two hands must do different things at the same time

You're always upstaged by player pianos

Violin

High Notes

Can pretend you're a gangster

Lets you escape the embarrassment of the marching band

Rosin is swell

Encouraged to fiddle around

Low Notes

Sound is often mistaken for a sick cat

Looks like you have a double chin

Could spend rest of life playing second fiddle

Limits your future in heavy metal bands

Alter-notes

If none of these traditional choices appeal to you (or if you'd just like to get out of having to take music lessons), tell your parents you'd be happy to play one of the following:

R



Didjeridu:

A long eucalyptus branch that has been hollowed by termites. Played by Australian Aborigines.

Nose Flute:

Called the fangufangu in Polynesia, but found all over the world.



Nose flutes: now performing at a tissue box near you.

Crumhorn:

A J-shaped wind instrument from the 1600s. Sounds kind of like an oboe with a kazoo stuck in it.



Never worry about pitch, just rhythm

Can impress friends with stick-twirling tricks

People can't really tell when you've made a mistake

Low Notes

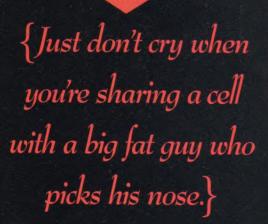
Everyone thinks they can play the drums

Lack of pitch may lead to inferiority complex

Big hassle to lug around

May be asked to lead troops into battle

Build an insanely sports c as Tast And la in the face of authority.

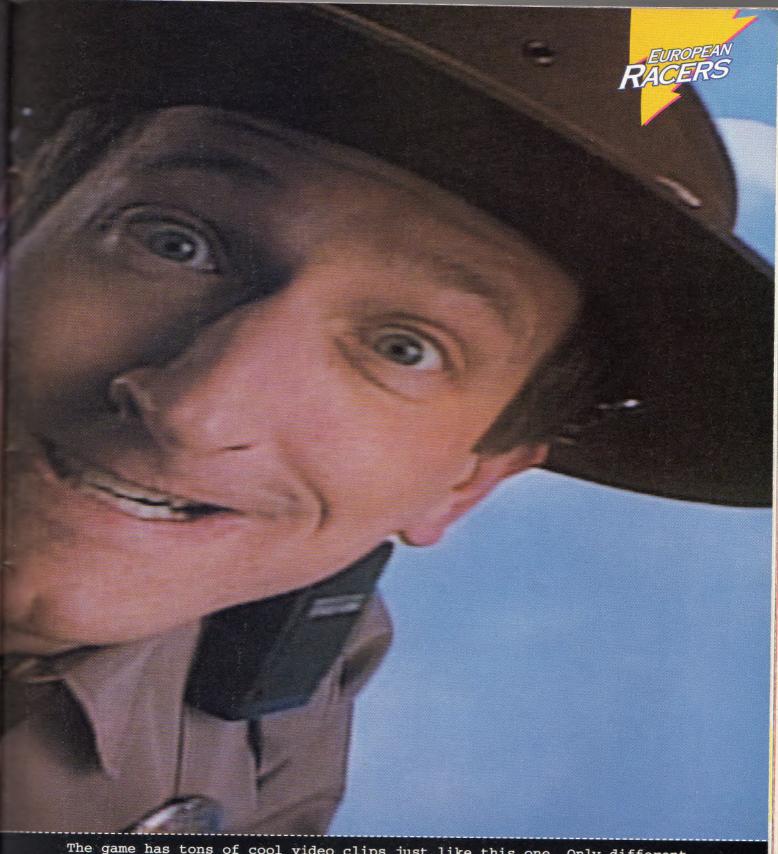






Break all kinds of laws in one of four European Racers. Integrated video clips give tips on equipment and weather conditions while you try to outrun the cops and race on four different tracks. 3-D animated instructions help you build a model of your car so you can remember what it looks like after you wrap it around a guard rail. Available for IBM on CD-ROM and Sega CD.

The model makes the game better. The game makes the model better.

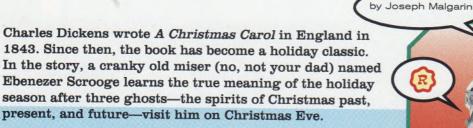


The game has tons of cool video clips just like this one. Only different.









The Scrooge Tr

If you are near a TV during the holidays, chances are you will see at least one version of this tale. Since each is slightly different, we've assembled this viewing guide.



Note: These shows are also available on video.

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Mister Magoo's Christmas Carol (1962)

Scrooge: Mister Magoo

Review: Mr. Quincy Magoo takes Scrooge to Broadway and transforms the Dickens story into a musical. Has some very Magoo touches; for instance, the Ghost of Christmas Present tells McGoo he is "so tight with a penny he won't buy spectacles." Added treat: the catchy Cratchit family song about the joys of "razzleberry dressing" and "woffle jelly cake."

The Muppet Christmas Carol (1992)*

Scrooge: Michael Caine

Review: The narrator of this very funny musical version is Charles Dickens himself - or so he claims to be. (Actually, it's the Great Gonzo.) Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy appear as Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cratchit. Kermit not only sings, he also ice-skates with the penguins.

*Available only on video





A Jetson Christmas Carol (1985)

Scrooge: Cosmo S. Spacely
Review: George, Jane, Judy, and
Elroy Jetson star as the Cratchit
family. George's boss, Mr. Spacely,
brings Scrooge into the space age.
Very funny—especially when they
go Christmas shopping at
"Mooningdale's" department store.
Another highlight: Astro's holiday
takes a turn for the worse when he
gets sick after devouring a
mechanical cat.



Bugs Bunny's Christmas Carol (1979)

Scrooge:
Yosemite Sam
Review: How
can you go
wrong with
Bugs? In order
to "avoid lookin"
at all them ugly
decorations,"
Yosemite Sam

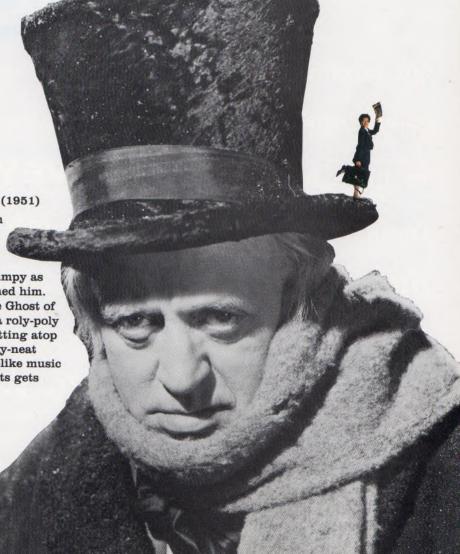
tries to sleep through Christmas. That's when Bugs, as the Christmas Ghost (combining all three spirits into one), decides to change things. Special appearance by Tweety in the role of Bob Crachit's youngest son, Tiny Tim.

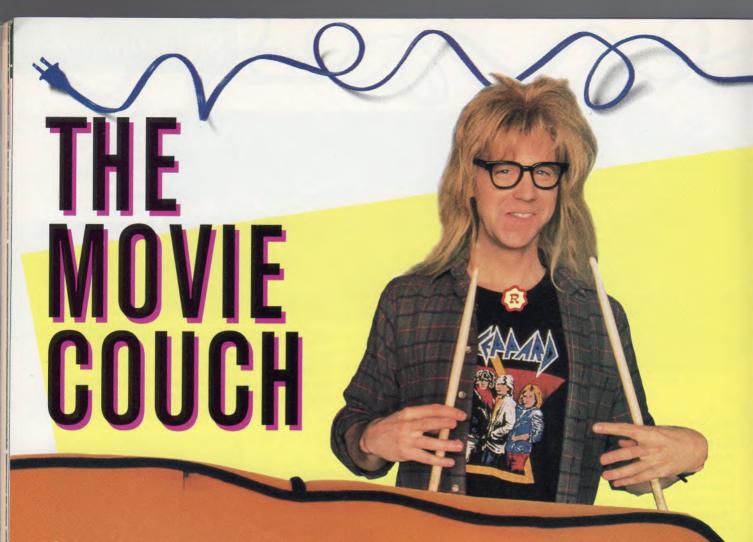
Mickey's Christmas Carol (1983)

Scrooge: Scrooge McDuck
Review: Donald Duck's stingy
uncle, Scrooge McDuck, gets
typecast in this rather faithful
adaptation. Special appearances by
Mickey and Minnie Mouse as the
Cratchits and a very clumsy Goofy
as the ghost of Jacob Marley,
Scrooge's former business partner.



Scrooge: Alastair Sim
Review: One of the
best versions ever
made, with Scrooge
just as mean and grumpy as
you've always imagined him.
We especially like the Ghost of
Christmas Present—a roly-poly
guy who shows up sitting atop
a feast of food. Spooky-neat
scene with Star Trek-like music
where a flock of ghosts gets
stuck in limbo.





On screen, you know him as the most excellent Garth Algar, Wayne Campbell's loyal friend. In real life, he's DANA CARVEY. Recently, Dana stopped by The Movie Couch and spoke to NICKELODEON MAGAZINE about chunkage, life as a 12-year-old, and his new movie, which comes out in December, Wayne's World 2.



Dana: I have three older brothers: Scott, Brad, and

Mark. And a younger sister, Lori.

we gave up.

NM: When you were 12 years old, what were you like?

out that quarter-inch plywood wouldn't give us too

much protection against a thermonuclear bomb. So

Dana: A lot like I am now.

NM: A movie star?

Dana: Yeah, right. No, I was silly and into drumming and trying to imitate people. All I really wanted to do was make people laugh.

NM: Who was your best friend when you were 12?

Dana: I really didn't have one. I was pretty lonely most of the time. I hung out sometimes with a kid named Howie Avila.

NM: How did you start doing impressions of people?

Dana: I had this little tape recorder as a kid, and I would record people on TV and then imitate them.

NM: Who was your first impression?

Dana: My first impression was a Liverpool accent. It was when the Beatles were on *The Ed Sullivan Show*, and I tape recorded that.

NM: Did you ever imitate your teachers? Did they catch you?

Dana: They caught me. But I wanted to be caught. I wanted people to laugh.

Nick Mag: What happens in Wayne's World 2?

Dana: Wayne and Garth get the opportunity to put on a concert. But then there is some question as to whether or not that concert will happen. And Garth looks for love in all the wrong places. Kim Basinger and Olivia d'Abo (the older sister from *The Wonder Years*) are in it. Garth falls for both of them. I guess you could say Garth comes of age.

NM: Does anyone hurl in the car?

Dana: Well, Garth develops this new technique for containing chunkage. So, I won't speak for everyone, but Garth doesn't hurl too much.

NM: In real life, do you call vomit "hurl" or something else?

Dana: My personal favorite is "spew" or "spewage." When I'm sick with the flu, I tell my wife that I have to spew.

NM: Did you model Garth after anyone you know?

Dana: My brother Brad.

NM: How is he like Garth?

Dana: He's kind of shy and totally honest and real smart and cool.

NM: What does Brad do?

Dana: He's a computer genius.

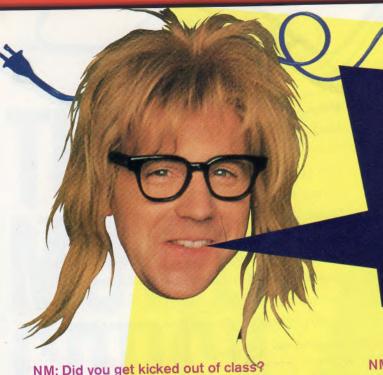
NM: Do you ever play him in computer games?

Dana: No. I don't even want to get near him with a computer game.

NM: Do you play computer games?

Dana: Not as much as I used to. A couple of years ago for Christmas I got a Super Mario Bros. and I played it for 10 hours straight that day. I almost went blind trying to find the stupid princess.

NM: How many kids were there in your family?



"I have to go sit in the hall? Well, okay, teacher-lady."

NM: Did you get kicked out of class?

Dana: I would always get kicked out of Spanish. The teacher would make me go sit in the hall. I never understood why when you goof off, the teacher makes you leave the room. "No, teacher. I want to stay in this hot, smelly classroom. What? I have to leave and go sit in the hall? Well, okay, teacher-lady." I loved having to go sit in the nice cool hall. I'd sit there and practice impressions, lay down, read. I thought it was cool. I never got it.

NM: Were you the class clown?

Dana: In alternate years. Second grade, yes. Third, introverted. Fourth, clown. Fifth, introverted. Sixth, clown. Then seventh through twelfth, introverted.

NM: Were you ever in school plays?

Dana: No, because the years I wanted to do it, I was introverted, too shy.

NM: Did you like school?

Dana: I got my education outside of school. I did have one or two good teachers, like Mr. Turner, an English teacher. I loved English, loved reading. He taught me about life, that things aren't always as they seem. Like you see someone and they might look like they're a good person, but they're bad. And you see a person who looks evil but is a good person.

NM: If you went back to grade school now, what would you do differently?

Dana: I would be less afraid of everything. Less afraid of being laughed at. Less afraid of what people think about me. Less concerned with all that stupid stuff. I would be more of an individual. One of the biggest things to learn is that you can't care what people think about you. I went through my entire childhood being terrified of stupid things, of people thinking I was stupid. I was very lonely. If I could go back, I would just be less afraid of who I was and what I wanted to do. I would be an individual.

NM: Do you really need to know phonics as an adult?

Dana: Sure. You can't read otherwise. It's the basis of sentence structure and grammar.

NM: What about integers?

Dana: What?

NM: Integers.

Dana: What are those?

NM: Numbers.

Dana: I have no clue what they are. You lost me with that. I wasn't too good with math.



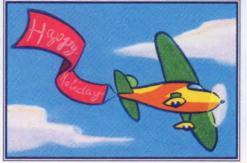
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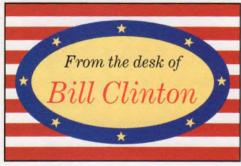
































NOT-SO-SPECIAL DELIVERY

NM: Can you reduce ¹⁶/₂ to a whole number?

Dana: Now you're really too far for me. I have no idea.

NM: If Barney, the singing purple dinosaur, fought a Jurassic Park velociraptor, who would win?

Dana: Barney would start singing in that voice, and the other guy would be on his knees begging for mercy; he'd be crying from the pain.

NM: When you spent the night visiting George
Bush at the White House, where did you sleep?
Dana: In the Lincoln bedroom.

NM: Did you see Babe-raham Lincoln's ghost?

Dana: Sure.

NM: Really? Dana: Yeah.

NM: What did he say?

Dana: Nothing. But I read the Gettysburg Address. It's in the room. Lincoln had terrible penmanship. That guy was a slob.

NM: Did you raid the White House refrigerator?

Dana: Nope.

NM: Do you have any pets?

Dana: No, I have two kids. That's enough.

NM: What is your "most excellent" quality?

Dana: When I'm cranky, I let people know it.

NM: What is Garth's "most excellent" quality?

Dana: That he's totally honest – all the time.

NM: One more question: What should someone do if they see a flying monkey?

Dana: Sit down fast! You don't want any more monkeys getting out.

VITAL STATISTICS

Middle name: Thomas

Dumbest holiday gift ever received:

a can of baked beans (from his brother)

Preferred turkey meat: white meat

Favorite kind of doughnut: jelly

Favorite drummer: Ringo Starr

The one thing I wish I'd done as a kid: taken piano lessons

The one thing I wish I had not done as a kid: tried to steal a yo-yo

Favorite flavor jelly for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich:

strawberry

We notice everything-

from billboards to
blackboards, encyclopedias
to graffiti. Here's a
critical look at a few of
our favorite finds.



Book Report Helper

Don't have time to read that book for your next book report? The U.S. Postal Service can help. It recently issued stamps honoring classic novels like *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *Little Women*. So if you can't read the book, read the stamp.

Here are the stamp book reports we made up:



Little Women:

This is the story of three girls and a lady. They like to sit around and read other people's mail.



The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn: This is

Huckleberry Finn: This is the story of a boy who wears a hat and a white shirt and carries a bucket. He stands in the grass under a sky full of big puffy white clouds. He stares all day at a boat with smoke coming out of it.



Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm:

This is the story of a girl who rides around in a stagecoach. She doesn't look very happy.



Little House on the

Prairie: This is the story of a girl who wears a hat and a white shirt and carries a bucket. She stands in the grass under a sky full of big puffy white clouds. She stares all day near a house with smoke coming out of it.



the Lines

If you ever go to Sweden,
don't worry about not knowing the language,
at least if you have to buy toilet paper.
Just ask for "Kräpp."



Dueling Textbooks

There are two sides to every story. That's especially true when you see how history books from two countries describe the same event. Read this and see how British and American kids get different views of the American Revolution.

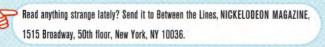


History Alive: 2 (history textbook used in Great Britain) on the American Revolution: "The real cause of the quarrel between the colonies and Britain, which led to the War of Independence and the creation of the United States, was that the states were growing up and felt the need to be their own masters, rather in the way some boys and girls in their teens rebel against their parents."



Challenge of Freedom
(history textbook
used in the U.S.) on the
American Revolution:

"During the 1770s, political and economic differences between the American colonists and the British government grew.... However, greater use of military force by Great Britain caused more Americans to think that the colonies should be free from their home country."





Humanitude



Dear QZ:

I was wondering why the sky is so high. I guess you think I'm really stupid because I asked that question, but I was just wondering.

Paul V.

Lynchburg, Virginia

I'm OZ and I am the greatest know-it-all in the universe. I know everything under, over, and inside the sun. So ask me a question, and I'll give you a down-to-Earth answer.

Paul: No way are you stupid. I am 100 times smarter than the average Earthling, and even I can't answer your question. It's a good thing the sky is high, though, because if it weren't, we would always be scraping our heads against it. There is a planet in a solar system very far from yours where the creatures are very tall and very vain; they have to slouch so as not to get their hair all messed up when they hit one of their five moons. So, to borrow from Bruce Springsteen: Walk tall. Paul. or don't walk at all!

Dear QZ:

If atoms make up everything, do they make themselves? Blake W.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Blake: Somebody made it up that atoms make up everything. It was probably atoms that made it up. They're very hungry for any publicity they can get, since they're so small. In truth, atoms don't make themselves: themselves make atoms.

Dear QZ:

You look like a clay person and a nerd without glasses. Are you? Courtney

Tucson, Arizona

Courtney: 'Tis a pity you care so much about appearances. If I lived on your planet, I'd bat .450 and hit 200 home runs playing baseball, and I'd score 200 points a game in basketball. Easily. And that would be without glasses. That would be blindfolded. By the way, I eat a bowl of clay every morning. Got a problem with that?

Do you have a question for QZ? Write to: Ask QZ, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE, 1515 Broadway, 50th floor, New York, NY 10036. Sorry, but the space-time continuum prevents QZ from personally answering every letter.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE

Would you rather be a pair of eyeglasses or a snow shovel?

Advantages of Being a Pair of Eyeglasses • Advantages of Being a Snow Shovel

You're always right on the nose

If you're lost, there's an all-out search party

Always focused

No heavy lifting

You get out and see the world

No fear of replacement by snow blower

You can always say you were framed

Work for three months, get nine months off

Plenty of exercise

People come to you to get the scoop

Provide employment for neighborhood kids

No fear of replacement by contact lenses

There's no business like snow business

Get to snoop around garage when no one's looking





READ

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Now you're in...



Two of your worst nightmares have joined forces to bust your butt and take over <u>your</u> world!

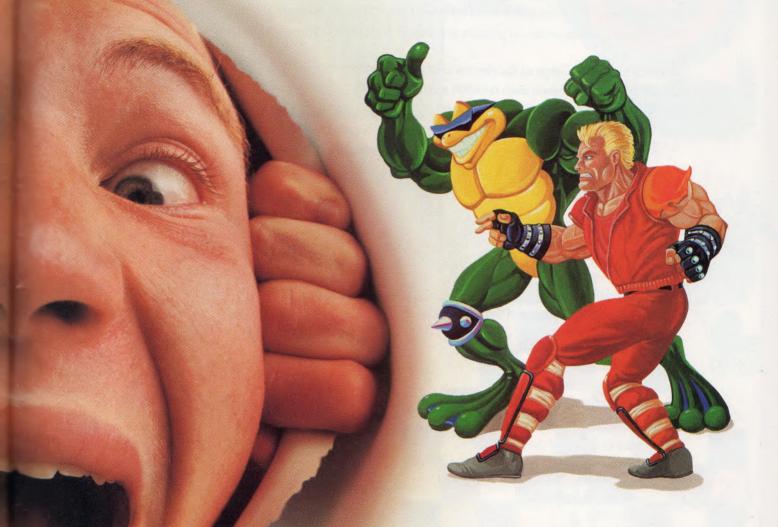
They're the ultimate dirtbags of baditude!...



Sometimes to even the score, you've got to double the odds.

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double trouble



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I-SIT (International Sitter Information Test)

For 364 days of the year, you have to take any babysitting job that comes along. But not on New Year's Eve. Parents get desperate, so you can get choosy. This questionnaire will help you find the best gig.

Directions: Give this page to the parents offering you

6. Short-answer question: What are your feelings the job. Tell them to answer each question as they can. Then make an informed decisi

Total number of feet between the couch and the

video games

refrigerator

as they can. Then make an informed decision.	regarding pay-per-view?
NAME OF FAMILY	7. Nutrition Are the following foods available?
1. Pay rate \$4-5 per hour \$5 and above Do you tip? yes no	ice creamsodacrunchy snackshalfway decent leftoversfreshly baked cakes, pies, and cookies
2. Family Profile Number of children Do the above children do any of the following?	8. Will you leave money so I can send out for pizza? yes no
sing annoying songs whine and scream bite and kick drool	9. Telecommunication Are the following phone features available? portable phone extra-long cords
destroy furniture 3. Expectations Will I have to do any of the following? tell more than one bedtime story cook dinner	call waiting fax machine conference calling video telephones 10. How many hours later than you say
change cat litter give rides change diapers fish toys out of the toilet	do you expect to return home? BONUS QUESTIONS:
4. Are there any really scary things at your house? flapping screen door dark stairway with creaky stairs mysterious basement noises branches scraping against windows	Can my friends visit? yes no Will you call before you come home so I can clean up the place? yes no
5. Entertainment How many of each of the following do you have?	Can I hear your car pull into the driveway?
TVs stereos VCRs Do you have: basic cable premium channels	Thank you for your time. Don't call us, we'll call you.









Turkey

Parts and crafts

Now you can really tell the cook. "That meal was a work of art."

Sculpt a Pilgrim with your stuffing!

Use raisin pieces for eyes and buttons.



Paint-By-Numbers with Your Holiday Meal!

Color this winter scene using our key and your fork.





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SIT (Universal Sittee's Information Test)



Maybe instead of being a sitter this New Year's Eve, you're a sittee. To make sure you have the most enjoyable time possible, use this questionnaire.

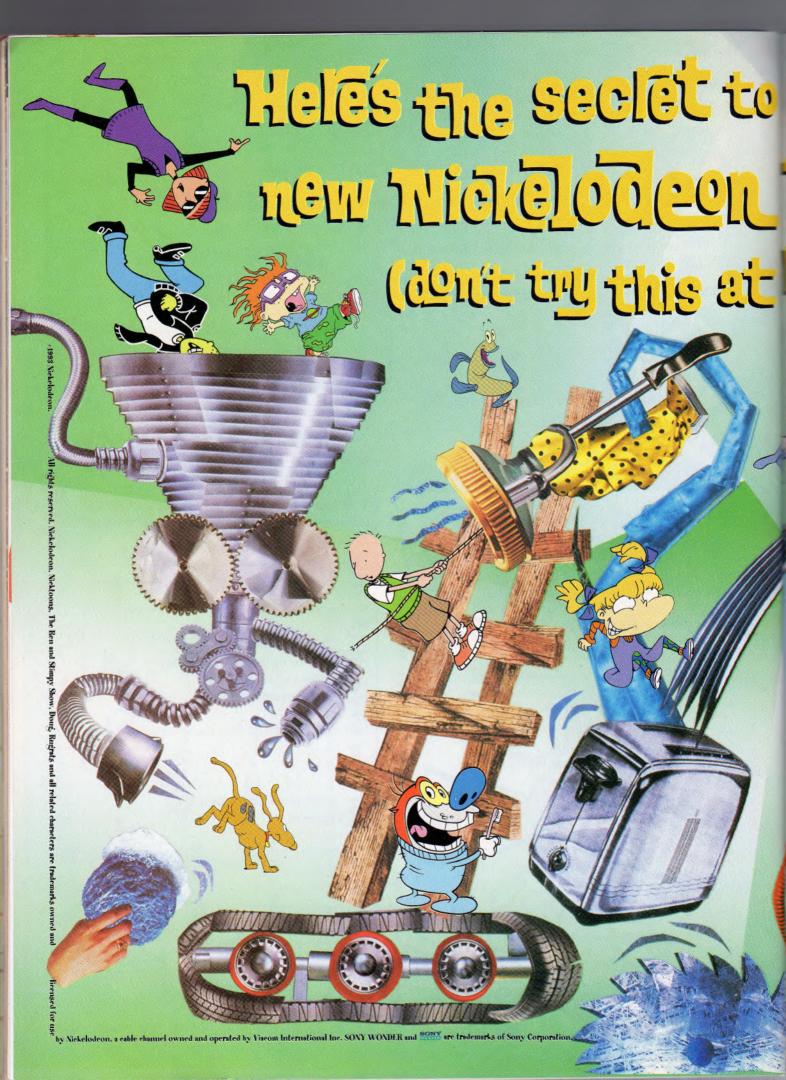
Directions: Give this page to potential sitters. Tell them to answer each question as honestly as they can. Then	Just a few, but you can listen in on the exter No, I'll be on your back all night.				
make an informed decision.					
H	Are you aware that if I call China, I can blame you				
BABY SITTER APPLICANT	the call when questioned by my parents?				
NAME AGE	yes				
	no no				
1. How late will you let me stay up?					
9 РМ	6. Dining Information				
9 PM to midnight	When we order pizza (and we will order pizza), wi				
past midnight	get to choose the toppings?				
intil we hear my parents' car in the driveway					
until we hear my parents car in the driveway	yes no				
2. Skills	7. Short-answer question: Some people think th				
Are you good at any of the following?	"children should be seen and not heard." Do yo				
French braiding	agree? Why or why not?				
three-point shooting					
baking					
math homework					
video games	8. What activities do you have planned for the				
Other useful skills:	evening?				
	reading me your diary				
3. Entertainment	showing me how to win at poker				
Can I order from a home shopping channel?	showing the now to will at poker putting on a show				
yesno	having a party				
Will you pay for it?	BONUS QUESTION: Will you bring me gifts?				
yesno	yes				
only if it's less than twenty dollars	no				
4. How would you describe your stories?	How would you describe them?				
scary	electronic				
boring	edible				
preachy	edible cute and fluffy				
like a soap opera, only true					
ince a soap opera, only true	cheap				
5. Telecommunication	educational				
	These you for your time				
Will you be making a lot of phone calls? Yes, so many that I'll never bother you.	Thank you for your time.				
THE SO MANY THAT I'II NOVOY NOTHON WOLL	Don't call us, we'll call you.				













Whatever You Want

SUMMER ISSUE "SAY WHAT?" RESULTS

Common themes were bodily functions and junk food.

Here are our winners. Each of these jokesters



KATE G., Vacaville, California

GORE:

Oops! I missed my nose.

CLINTON:

I shouldn't have Barney marathon is stayed up so late.

JUSTIN W., Sacramento, California

GORE:

I wonder if the

CLINTON:

I think they gave me decaf.

still on.

ALEXANDER H., Briarcliff Manor, New York

GORE:

Ohmygosh! There's something in my shoe Stay calm, stay calm!

CLINTON:

Interesting...when I close my right eye, this potato chip looks like Sinéad O'Connor.

GORE:

I love working with Bill. He's so dedicated. This is boring.

CLINTON:

I'm glad Hillary does all the work!

ROBIN L., Santa Fe, Texas

BRENDA S., Redford, Michigan



We asked you to write to us, and you did. Here are some of your photo fill-ins, our contest winners and a letter to the editor. Keep writing! Thanks!

DRESS UP YOUR FAMILY

CONTEST WINNERS

We've sorted through piles of photographs, and chosen three winners of our first contest. Each will receive a Bag-O-Gags, which includes a whoopie cushion, disappearing ink, and other rib-tickling goodies. They also get a Nickelodeon T-shirt, Gak, and other cool Nickelodeon stuff! In the photo at left, first prize winner ASHLEY M., age 10, of Manchester, New Hampshire, appears as Lisa Simpson. Congratulations to the winners. CHARLIE K.. age 7, Medina, Washington

MARISSA AND

BRITTANY W.

ages 10 and 8, San Jose, California

LETTERS

Dear NICK MAG, I'm writing to you because of the annoying car songs. They worked for me because me and my friend sang "Are We There Yet?" until we got home. When we got home, my dad said "I'm not taking you anywhere again." So I ask you to make more songs. Here's our version (sung to the tune of Frére Jacques): I'm so hungry I'm so hungry I need food I need food Right this minute Right this minute Please right now Please right now Your fans,

You seem pretty happy for two kids who probably aren't going anywhere ever again!

Paul and Patrick Deltona, Florida

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Interested? Then answer the questions below (honestly) and send this page in by **DECEMBER 31, 1993** to:
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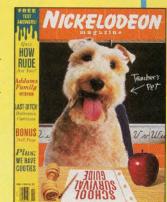
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If you'd like to be an adviser, have a parent sign here:



COVED #4

- 1. What are your three favorite things in this issue? Why? _____
- 2. What are your three least favorite things in this issue? Why? _____
- 3. What are your favorite and least favorite comics in our comic book?
- 4. Do you have a favorite show on Nickelodeon? A favorite character?
- 5. Which of our covers is your favorite (including the cover of this issue)? Why? _____



COVER #2



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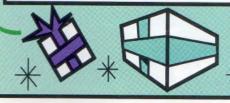
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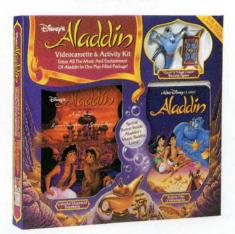
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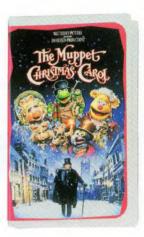
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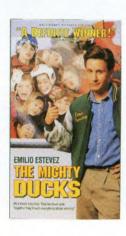
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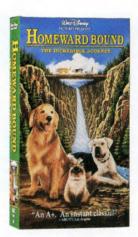
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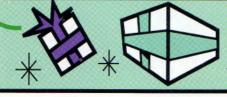
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ANOUNTRO		-	_	THE OWNER WHEN	Name and Address of the Owner, where	The Real Property lies, the Person lies,	_	_		
ANSWERS:	S	E	1	N	E	E	W	S	W	G
1. Playland	s	X	D	1	A	Z	J	М	Y	R
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7. Dottie	E	S	A	D	0	T	T	1	E	E
8. Zip	S	E	4	N	W	Υ	E	T	R	٧
9. Weenies	P	0	P	S	R	C	S	E	R	C
10. Pops	G	1	W	0	G	R	E	E	N	0

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